**Third Member of Council.—**

Our information is that they are getting them.

**Mr. Rame Gowda.—**

If they do not get, do you make arrangements for giving them?

**Third Member of Council.—**

As some of them did not get scholarships, a special grant for scholarships to minor communities is being given from last year.

**Mr. Nagappa Setty.—**

What communities are included under "Komtis"?

**Third Member of Council.—**

All those that are classed as such in the census.

**Mr. Nagappa Setty.—**

What are Vaisyas called in the census?

**Third Member of Council.—**

They are called Vaisyas.

**Mr. Nagappa Setty.—**

If Vaisyas are called Komtis, it would be insulting.

MR. S. V. GURUMURTHIACHARYA (Minority Interest).—

*Q.*—66. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether there is any reason for not considering Visvakarmas who number about 132,187 as a separate community?

(*b*) Whether Government have not recognised numerically smaller communities like Christians, etc., as separate communities and whether Government have not been encouraging their education and helping them with appointments also?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to encourage the members of the Visvakarma community who have not received any help till now and who are very backward by giving them loans free of interest and repayable in instalments?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS.—

*A.*—66. (*a*) For the award of Backward Class Scholarships, communities of similar social and economic conditions if they number less than 3 lakhs are grouped together. The Visvakarmas who are included under Panchalas who number only 127,020 are accordingly grouped with Nagarthas and Komtis.

(*b*) The Indian Christians are treated as a separate community.

(*c*) Government do not consider it desirable to make exceptions in favour of particular communities in matters of the kind.

MR. P. SUBBARAMA CHETTY (Mysore Chamber of Commerce).—

*Q.*—67. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(1) How many from among the members of the Representative Assembly have entered Government service during the year 1927-28 ?

(2) Are the Government aware that by recruiting honorary public workers to the Government service the morale of the healthy public life will be affected ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

*A.*—67. (1) Two members of the Assembly entered Government service during the period mentioned.

(2) Government can express no opinion.

*Supplementary Questions and Answers.*

**Mr. K. Srikantiah.**—

With reference to answer given to (1), will you please state to what community those two gentlemen belong ?

**econd Member of Council.**—

You know the information yourself.

**Mr. K. Srikantiah.**—

Is there any policy involved in appointing members of the Assembly to Government service ?

**Second Member of Council.**—

There is no such policy.